or biological sciences, designed to prepare a student to work as a technician or at the semiprofessional level in engineering, scientific, or other technological fields requiring the understanding and application of basic engineering, scientific, or mathematical principles of knowledge.

Low-income individual means an individual from a family whose taxable income for the preceding year did not exceed 150 percent of an amount equal to the poverty level determined by using criteria of poverty established by the Bureau of the Census.

Minority student means a student who is an Alaska Native, American Indian, Asian-American, Black (African-American), Hispanic American, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander.

Nationally recognized accrediting agency or association means an accrediting agency or association that the Secretary has recognized to accredit or preaccredit a particular category of institution in accordance with the provisions contained in 34 CFR part 603. The Secretary periodically publishes a list of those nationally recognized accrediting agencies and associations in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

Operational programs and services means the regular, ongoing budgeted programs and services at an institution.

Preaccredited means a status that a nationally recognized accrediting agency or association, recognized by the Secretary to grant that status, has accorded an unaccredited institution that is progressing toward accreditation within a reasonable period of time.

Project means all the funded activities under a grant.

Self-sufficiency means the point at which an institution is able to survive without continued funding under the Developing Hispanic-Serving Institutions Program.

Underrepresented means proportionate representation as measured by degree recipients, that is less than the proportionate representation in the general population—

- (1) As indicated by-
- (i) The most current edition of the Department's Digest of Educational Statistics;

- (ii) The National Research Council's Doctorate Recipients from United States Universities; or
- (iii) Other standard statistical references, as announced annually in the FEDERAL REGISTER notice inviting applications for new awards under this program; or
- (2) As documented by national survey data submitted to and accepted by the Secretary on a case-by-case basis.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1101 et seq.; OMB Directive No. 15)

§ 606.8 What is a comprehensive development plan and what must it contain?

- (a) A comprehensive development plan is an institution's strategy for achieving growth and self-sufficiency by strengthening its—
 - (1) Academic programs;
 - (2) Institutional management; and
 - (3) Fiscal stability.
- (b) The comprehensive development plan must include the following:
- (1) An analysis of the strengths, weaknesses, and significant problems of the institution's academic programs, institutional management, and fiscal stability.
- (2) A delineation of the institution's goals for its academic programs, institutional management, and fiscal stability, based on the outcomes of the analysis described in paragraph (b)(1) of this section
- (3) Measurable objectives related to reaching each goal and timeframes for achieving the objectives.
- (4) Methods and resources that will be used to institutionalize practices and improvements developed under the proposed project.
- (5) Its five year plan to improve its services to Hispanic and other low-income students.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1101 et seq.)

§ 606.9 What are the type, duration, and limitations in the awarding of grants under this part?

- (a)(1) Under this part, the Secretary may award planning grants and two types of development grants, individual development grants and cooperative arrangement development grants.
- (2) Planning grants may be awarded for a period not to exceed one year.